

Knight: Chapter 17

Work, Heat, & the 1st Law of Thermodynamics

*(Heat, The 1st Law of Thermodynamics, &
Thermal Properties of Matter)*

i.e. 17.2:

The Work of an Isothermal Compression

A cylinder contains 7.0 g of nitrogen gas.

How much work must be done to compress the gas at a constant temperature of 80°C until the volume is halved?

$$W = -nRT \ln \left(\frac{V_i}{V_0} \right)$$

$$M = 7.0 \times 10^{-3} \text{ kg} \quad \mu_{\text{mol}} = 0.028 \text{ kg/mol} \quad n = \frac{M}{\mu_{\text{mol}}} = 0.25 \text{ mol}$$

$$T = 353 \text{ K}$$

$$V_i = \frac{1}{2} V_0$$

$$W = -0.25 \text{ mol} (8.31 \text{ J/mol K}) (353) \ln \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) = 510 \text{ J}$$

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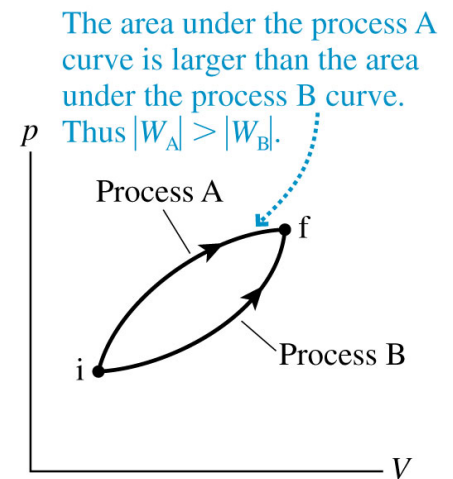
Work in Ideal-Gas Processes...

Figure (a) shows 2 different processes that take a gas from an initial state i to a final state f .

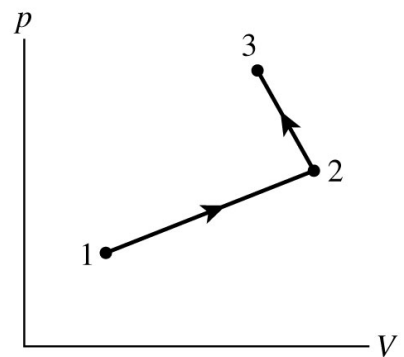
Notice:

- The work done during an ideal-gas process *depends on the path followed through the pV diagram.*
- During the multistep process of figure (b), the work done is *NOT* the same as a process that goes directly from 1 to 3.

(a)



(b)



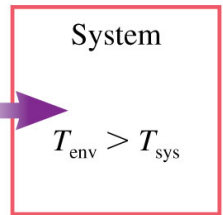
Heat, Temperature, and Thermal Energy

Thermal energy, E_{th} ... (*thermal energy in system*)

- is *energy of the system* due to the motion of its atoms and molecules.
- is a state variable.

(a) Positive heat

$$Q > 0$$

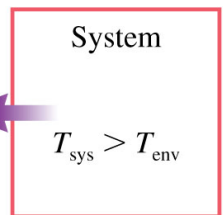


Heat, Q ... (*energy transfer*)

- is *energy transferred* between the system & environment.
- NOT a form of energy nor a state variable.

(b) Negative heat

$$Q < 0$$

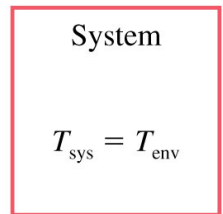


Temperature, T ... (*energy per molecule*)

- is a state variable that quantifies *hotness* or *coldness*.
- related to *thermal energy per molecule*.

(c) Thermal equilibrium

$$Q = 0$$



A *temperature difference* is required in order for heat to be transferred between the system and the environment.

Units of Heat

Calorie:

The quantity of heat necessary to raise the temperature of 1 *g* of H₂O by 1°C.

$$1 \text{ cal} = 4.186 \text{ J}$$

Food Calorie:

$$1 \text{ Cal} = 1 \text{ kcal} = 4186 \text{ J}$$

The 1st Law of Thermodynamics

The *complete* energy equation is...

$$\Delta E_{sys} = \Delta E_{mech} + \Delta E_{th} = W + Q$$

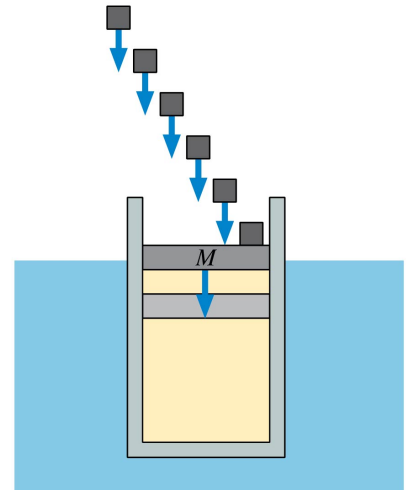
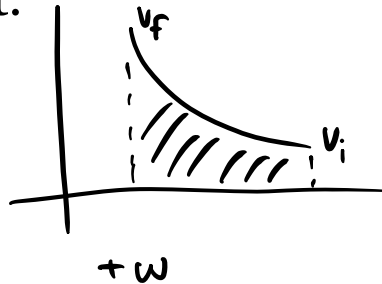
For a system *at rest*, the 1st Law of Thermodynamics is...

$$\Delta E_{th} = W + Q$$

Quiz Question 1

A cylinder of gas has a frictionless but tightly sealed piston of mass M . Small masses are placed onto the top of the piston, causing it to slowly move downward. A water bath keeps the temperature constant.

In this process:



1. $Q > 0$.

2. $Q = 0$.

3. $Q < 0$.

4. There's not enough info to say anything about the heat.

$$\Delta E_{th} = 0$$

$$\Delta E_{th} = Q + W$$

$$Q = -W$$

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3 Special Ideal-Gas Processes..

For an **isochoric process**..

- insert the locking pin so the volume cannot change.

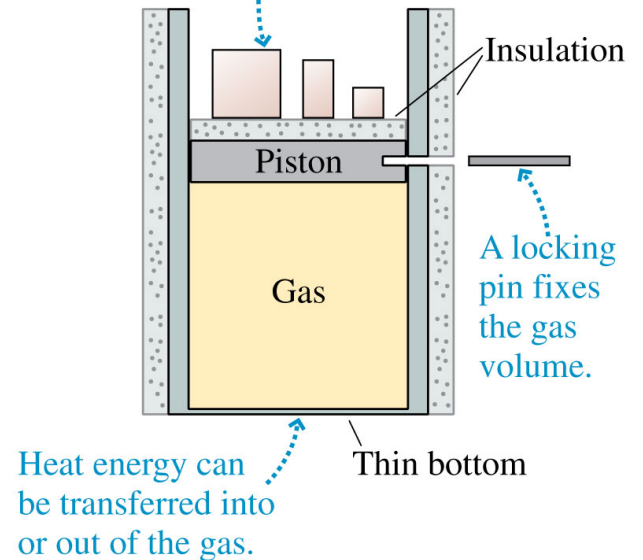
For an **isothermal process**...

- keep the thin bottom in thermal contact with the flame or the ice to maintain *constant* T.

For an **adiabatic process**...

- add insulation beneath the cylinder, so NO heat is transferred in or out.

Masses determine the gas pressure. Work is done as the masses move up and down.



3 Special Ideal-Gas Processes..

Consider an **isochoric cooling** process...

- As $W = 0$, the 1st law becomes:

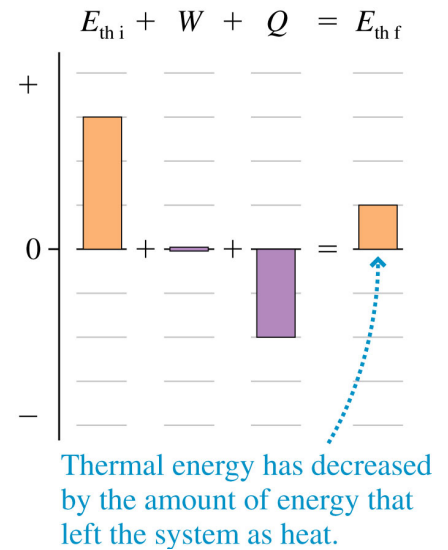
$$\Delta E_{th} = Q$$

- Heat was transferred *out* of the system and the *thermal energy decreased*.

$$Q < 0 \text{ and } \Delta E_{th} < 0$$

- 1st law bar chart for a process that does NO work.

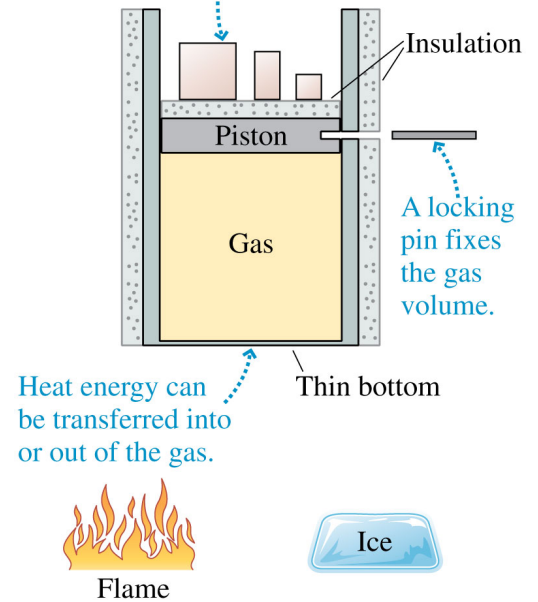
-Heat = heat leaving system



3 Special Ideal-Gas Processes..

How does one *cool* the gas without doing work?

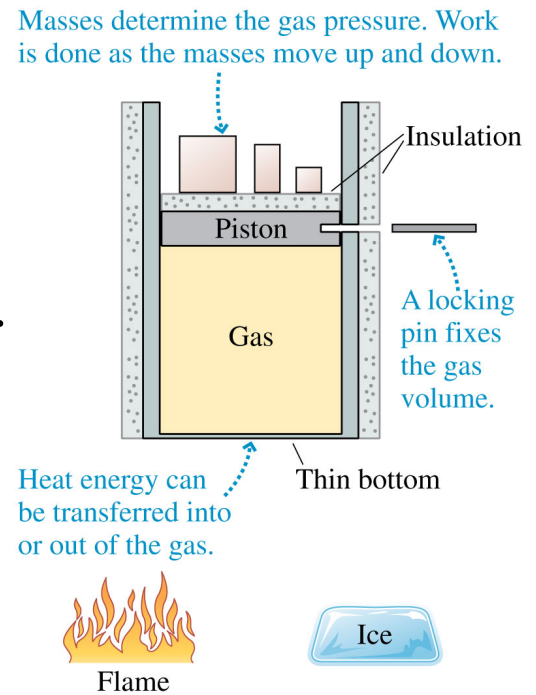
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3 Special Ideal-Gas Processes..

How does one *cool* the gas without doing work?

1. Insert pin.
2. Place cylinder on ice, remove from ice when desired pressure is reached.
3. Remove masses until $p_{\text{app}} = p_{\text{gas}}$.
4. Remove locking pin.



3 Special Ideal-Gas Processes..

Consider an **isothermal expansion**...

- As *temperature* doesn't change, the *thermal energy* doesn't change.

$$\Delta T = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \Delta E_{th} = 0$$

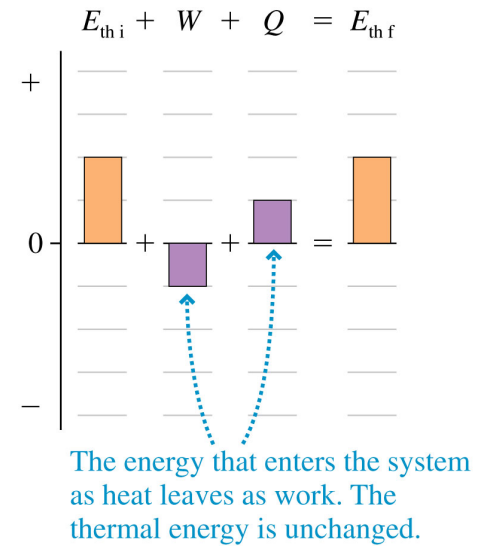
- As $\Delta E_{th} = 0$, the 1st law becomes:

$$W = -Q$$

- 1st law bar chart for a process that *doesn't change the thermal energy*.

Notice:

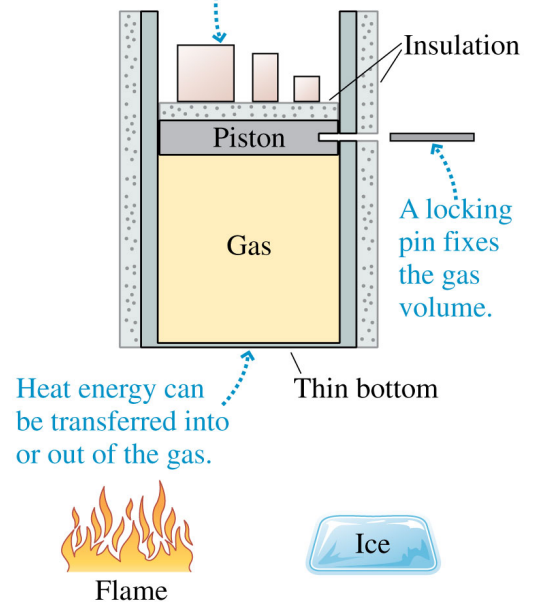
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3 Special Ideal-Gas Processes..

How does one *expand* the gas w/out changing it's *thermal energy*?

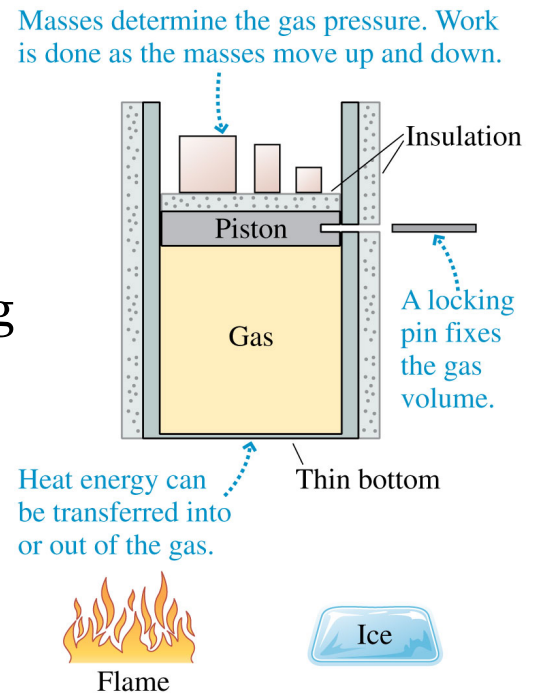
Masses determine the gas pressure. Work is done as the masses move up and down.



3 Special Ideal-Gas Processes..

How does one *expand* the gas w/out changing it's *thermal energy*?

1. Place gas on flame, gas expands.
2. Slowly remove masses to *reduce* pressure as volume *expands* (keeping pV constant).
3. Remove cylinder from flame when gas reaches desired volume.



3 Special Ideal-Gas Processes..

Consider an **adiabatic compression**...

- process in which NO heat is transferred between the system & environment.

$$Q = 0$$

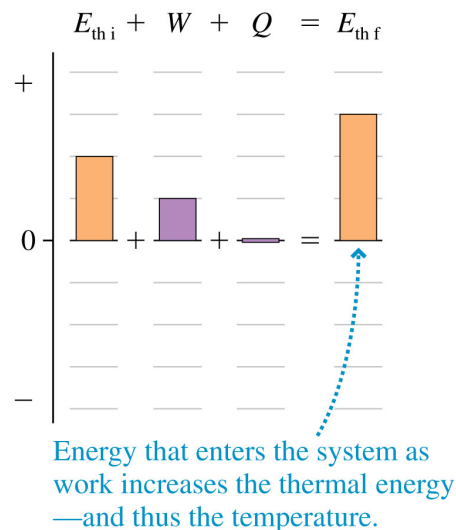
- As $Q = 0$, the 1st law becomes:

$$\Delta E_{th} = W$$

- 1st law bar chart for a process that transfers no heat energy.

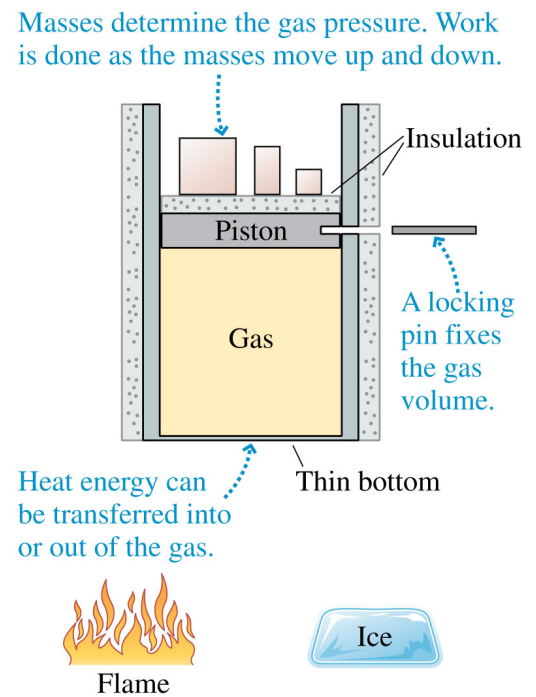
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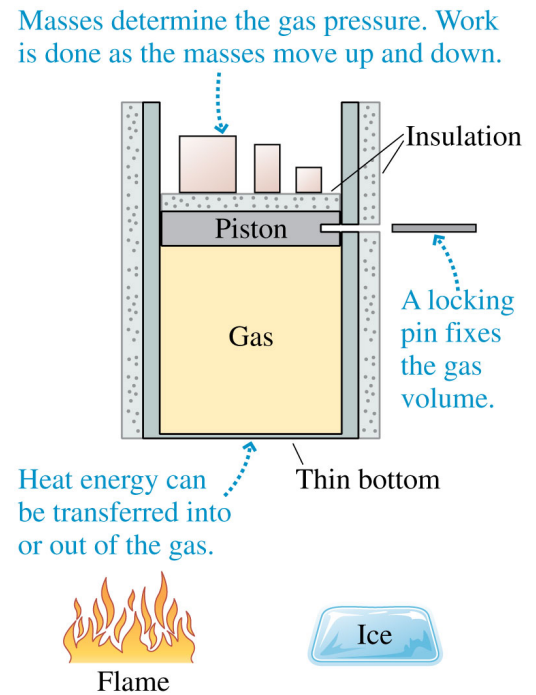
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3 Special Ideal-Gas Processes..

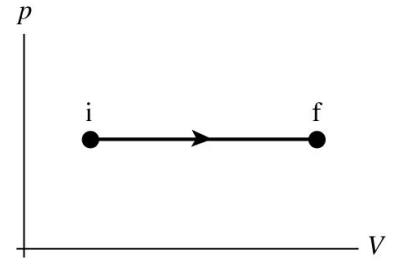
How does one *compress* the gas w/out transferring heat energy?

1. Insulate bottom of cylinder.
2. Add masses to increase pressure and decrease volume.
3. Stop adding masses when the gas reaches desired volume.

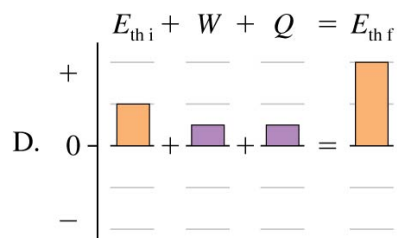
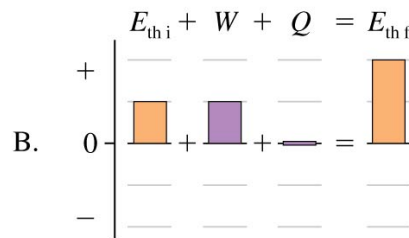
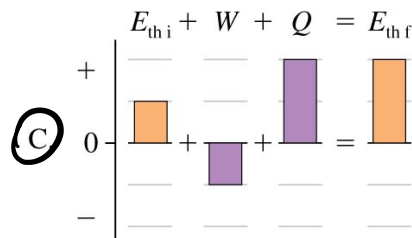
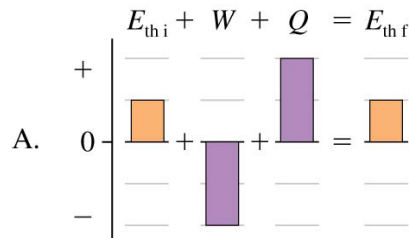


Quiz Question 2

Which 1st law bar chart describes the process shown in the pV diagram?



$\Delta V \uparrow$
 $\Delta E_{th} \uparrow$



Thermal Properties of Matter

The ***specific heat*** is...

- ▣ the amount of energy necessary to raise the temp of 1 kg of a substance by 1 K.

$$c \equiv \frac{\Delta E_{th}}{M \Delta T}$$

- ▣ The thermal energy change, ΔE_{th} , needed to bring about a temp change ΔT is:

$$\Delta E_{th} = Mc\Delta T$$

Notice:

- ▣ If $W = 0$, then $\Delta E_{th} = Q$.
- ▣ Specific heat can be thought of as the *thermal inertia* of a substance!

Quiz Question 3

Two liquids, A and B, have equal masses and equal initial temperatures. Each is heated for the same length of time over identical burners. Afterward, liquid A is hotter than liquid B. Which has the larger specific heat?

1. Liquid A.
2. Liquid B.
3. There's not enough information to tell.